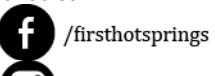


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THE MESSENGER

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Basic Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship

Classic Service 9:00 a.m.
Celebration Service 10:30 a.m.

Connect Groups

9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Nights

Dinner 4:45-5:45 pm
Worship Time 6:00 pm

TV Schedule Cable Channel 10

Thursday: 9:00 pm, Friday: Noon
Sunday: 8:00 am, Monday: Noon

Sunrise Sunday School

Sun: 7:30 am & 10:00 am

Spanish Sunday School

Sun: 5:30 pm & 10:30 pm

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ATTENDANCE

August 27, 2017

Homebound TV Class*80

9:00 Connect Group497

10:30 Connect Group423

Total Connect Groups920

Worship Attendance 9:00.....476

4th & 5th Sun: Jay & Jennifer Winters

FH Ctr: Betty James, Joy Scallion

2nd Floor Welc Ctr: Roman & Pat Terlecki, George

& Mary Harris

*Average

New Members:

Richard & Debbie Gillespie
Bill & Jeanette Nicely
Heather Young

Van Outreach Drivers

1st Sunday North: Carlos Lemus, 538-1624

..... South: Glen Catlett, 844-7565

2nd Sunday... North: Roman Terlecki, 622-7735

..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

3rd Sunday..... North: Missy Herron, 762-3749

..... South: Duke Haight, 815-4416

4th Sunday..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818

..... South: Jon Vitro, 282-2975

5th Sunday..... North: Bob Roling, 545-5818

..... South: Mitchell McDill, 318-8333

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Your Pastor,
John

Celebration Worship Choir Rehearsal Sunday, September 10th

The Celebration Worship Choir invites singers with a heart for worship to join us. Adults and students in grades 7-12 can attend a once-a-month rehearsal and prepare to sing in Celebration Worship each Sunday. Join us for lunch and our very first rehearsal of this season immediately after Celebration Worship.

Pastor's Message

Hey, men! Beginning Tuesday morning, September, September 12, at 6:30 am, we will begin another semester of my **Men's Group**. This fall we will be spending time in the Psalms, working through Eugene Peterson's book, **Answering God: The Psalms as Tools for Prayer**. This book has been formative in my life, and I think it can be in yours. The book costs \$10. We are finished by 7:30 which gives most of you time to get to work. I encourage you to invest in your spiritual growth. I'd love to see you there.

Since Labor Day marks the "official" end of summer season, **let's recount some of what God has done among us this summer**. We called Kyle Stevens to serve as Missionary Pastor. We hosted an excellent Vacation Bible School in which a number of children were saved. We sent children and youth to camps in which some were saved and others drew closer to Jesus. We sent mission teams to Chicago, Arlington, and Honduras. Our Women on Mission helped us give a generous, goal-busting offering to Pure Water, Pure Love, and they have helped us help local schools feed children on weekends through Christmas in August. Many of you also prayer-walked our local schools just ahead of the first day of classes. We've seen a number of baptisms, many of them adults. And we enjoyed four weeks of Rex Horne's preaching. It's been a great summer and we give thanks to God. Aren't you excited to see what God has in store for the fall?

If you want to **help in disaster relief for Hurricane Harvey** for our neighbors in Texas, you may mark an envelope Hurricane or Disaster Relief. Any money you give will provide resources for our Arkansas Baptist Disaster Relief Team as they serve the people in Southeast Texas. Oh, and 100% of your gifts go directly to the field.

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Education / Outreach Ministry

Lots of Discipleship Opportunities...

Gospel at Work

Learn skills to share Christ

Wednesdays at 7pm, Starting Sept. 6

Room 226, Led by Kyle Stevens

C. S. Lewis - Screwtape Letters:

An Anatomy of Evil

Come join in with this new group for an interesting study

Wednesdays at 6pm, Starting Sept. 6

In the Groom's Room 2010, Led by Tom Heckmann

Wallace's Men's Group

Men's Fraternity: 33 The Series: Authentic Manhood, A Man and His Design

Join us on Wednesdays at 6pm in room 3025

Sept. 6 – Oct. 11

Mel's Men's Group

Bible Study for Men

"What is the Good News"

Join us on Wednesdays at 6pm in room 133

John McCallum's Men's Group

Answering God

Tuesdays, 6:30am, in room 223, starting Sept. 12

All Age Men's Connect Group

At 9:00am in room 126

Teachers: Rich Braley, Glen McClain, Jack Porter
Come join us!

Revealing the Mysteries of Heaven

Sundays 5:00-6:00pm, in room 131

Teacher – Jerry Franks

Studying through the books of the New Testament



Wednesdays At 5:30-7:00 pm,
Starting Sept. 6 in room 126.
Led by Neal and Rhonda Harrington

Get In The Picture!

Thanks to all who took pictures of their Connect Group Sunday. If you haven't yet, please do this Sunday. Then send it by email to robin@firsthotsprings.com.

Love, Danny

Fitness & Recreation Ministry

(All sign ups/resources are available at the Fitness/Recreation Ministry HQ.)



Upward Basketball 2018

Kindergarten Coed Division

1st -2nd Grade Girls Division

1st -2nd Grade Boys Division

Season runs January – March 2018



Your Upward Leadership Team is always seeking to improve our league. We rely on parent, coach, and referee input as we evaluate the previous season and prepare for the next season. As a result of your input and prayer, here are some of the changes for this upcoming season:

- Maximum of 8 teams in each division
- Maximum of 7 players per team
- Playing 4 on 4
- Allowing zone defense
- Increased practice time, at least for the Kindergarten division
- Increased player discount for parent coaches

Be in prayer about your place of service in the Upward ministry. You can get more information and sign up at the Come On In Carnival next week!

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Sunday morning Meet & Greet Fellowships Sundays, 10:00 am in the gym

We invite you to join us for relaxed fellowship and light snacks every Sunday in the gym between Worship Services/Connect Groups. This is one of the easiest places to get to know others. Look around, introduce yourself to someone you don't know! Also, just a reminder that we have a rotating schedule of snack providers for the Sunday Fellowships. Please provide snacks according to the first initial of your last name as scheduled below:

Sep 3: O, P, Q, R

Oct 1: C, D, E

Sep 10: S, T, U

Oct 8: F, G, H

Sep 17: V, W, X, Y, Z

Oct 15: I, J, K, L

Sep 24: A, B

Oct 22: M, N

Until we all fall down, Wallace

Wednesday Night Supper Menu September

6th: Roast Beef, Potatoes, Green Beans, Chicken Strips, Fries

13th: Taco/Potato Bar

20th: Spaghetti w/ Meatballs, Corn Dog, Fries

27th: BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Hamburger, Fries

P R A Y

for our Ukraine Mission trip,
September 8-16 2017



Don Robertson, Carl Hawthorn, Donny Moore, Cynthia McCutcheon, Jenny Turner, Ann Thrash, Mary Harris, Missy Wheeler, Dana Hobbs, Deborah Wingfield, Jimmy Schultz, Gail Margis, Keith Wingfield, Danny Bryson

BUDGET REPORT

Ministry Fund (8-27-17)

Weekly Receipts \$40,757

Online Giving \$3,676

Total Given \$44,434

If you prefer to give your tithes and offerings on-line, go to our website, firsthotsprings.com, and follow the giving prompts. Please make sure the office has your current email address.

All In Fund

Weekly Receipts: (8-27-17) \$4,244

Balance of loan: (7-30-17) \$2,203,570

GROUPS & CLASSES

First Baptist Quilters

Meet on the 1st & 2nd Thursday of each month, 9 AM til Noon in NEW Room #129. We are quilting Quilts of Honor, to be presented to wounded soldiers. Anyone is invited to join! If interested, contact Marilyn Morgan at 520-4105, Henryetta Norman at 627-4618 or Cheryl Nichols at 622-9002.

Comfort in Christ

Provides support to all women who have suffered the loss of a loved one. This woman-to-woman group offers support during the journey from grief to healing, prayer and encouragement, and a safe and understanding place to share one's thoughts, feelings and experiences. Books, handouts, devotionals, and other resources with a spiritual emphasis are provided to help each person regarding the grief process. This group meets the first Thursday of the month at 2 pm in Rhonda's home. Leader is Rhonda Frederick. Please contact Rhonda, 501-538-3911, for more info.

SYMPATHY

Our thoughts and prayers are with Heather Guill and family in the death of her grandmother; and to Harold Humhrey in the death of his sister, Virginia Jackson. May God bless and comfort you.

THANK YOU

Thank you notes have been received from the Sharon King and family; Ed & Liz Staton; and Carol Clark. You may view Thank you notes on the bulletin board across from the 2nd floor elevator.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to John & Melissa Dowling on the birth of their daughter, Clara Bryson Dowling. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. and was 20 1/2 in. long. Proud grandparents are Danny & Connie Bryson and proud aunt and uncle are Amanda Bryson and Spencer Bryson.

SURRENDERING THE SECRET

Begins September 14



If you are one of the estimated 43% of women who have had an abortion, we invite you to attend an 8-week study designed to heal the pain you may still be carrying with you. This group a safe, supportive, and confidential place and an outreach of FBC Women's Ministry and Change Point Pregnancy Center.

Contact Marilyn Morgan (501-520-4105) morgan.marilyn@att.net or Cathy Slater (501-622-8587)